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LABOUR GOVERNMENT DEFEATED.

EVICIONS BILL REVERSE.

NINE VOTES TURN THE DAY.

PREMIER NOT RESIGNING.

EXCITEMENT IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS.

(Reuter's General Service.)

LONDON, April 7.
In the House of Commons the Government was defeated on the Evictions Bill by 221 to 212 votes.

LATER.
Mr. Ramsay MacDonald made it clear he does not contemplate resignation in consequence of the Government's defeat.

HOW IT HAPPENED.

The Evictions Bill was discussed by the Cabinet for three hours to-day and also by a special meeting of the Liberal Party.

The matter cropped up at question-time in the House of Commons when the Opposition pressed for the postponement of the Bill till statistics regarding the numbers of evictions were available.

Mr. MacDonald replied that the urgency of the question precluded postponement.

When Mr. W. M. R. Pringle (L.) resumed the debate on the second reading there was an imposing array of Conservative and Liberal front-benchers while Mr. MacDonald was leading the House instead of Mr. J. R. Clynes.

Mr. Pringle declared that the Government's amendment to clause one meant nothing and the clause might as well be withdrawn. It was important to know whether the Government meant the cost of relieving tenants to fall on the State or on Local authorities.

IRONICAL CHEERS.

Mr. MacDonald who received an ovation from the Labour members, said this emergency measure was necessitated by the alarming increase of evictions in industrial towns where unemployment was rife. Some were due to the Act passed by the late Government. Very unseemly scenes were occurring and still more unseemly scenes were probable. It was the Government's intention in the House to shape the Bill in committee. The Government would gladly co-operate in relieving property-owners of a burden which the community should share.

Mr. MacDonald admitted amid ironical cheers that it was a hurried bill pressed upon the Government when its hands were uncomfortably full.

Mr. MacDonald's speech was greeted with Opposition laughter, and ironical cheers, interruptions demanding Mr. MacDonald to clarify the position as regards the source of relief to such extent that the Speaker intervened saying that these were unfair to the Prime Minister.

"STUPID PARTY"

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Leader of the Opposition, said the Government would be well-advised to drop its futile and unhappy clause until the Government knew what it wanted to do.

Mr. H. H. Asquith (L.) said that for once he associated himself with "the stupid party."

He had not the remotest idea of the Government's proposals to postpone the incidence of the cost of relief to a vague and remote readjustment of local imperial burdens. It was trifling with the House (loud Opposition and Liberal cheers).

SECOND DEFEAT.

The Government sustained a second defeat at to-night's session when Mr. Graham, Financial Secretary of the Treasury submitted a resolution to validate certain wartime charges by Government Departments in connection with the control of supplies and prices of certain commodities.

Sir Douglas Hogg moved an amendment, of which the effect was to withhold validation of charges in respect of certain milk contracts.

The amendment was carried by 207 to 170 votes and the amended resolution was adopted.

HOW THE VOTING WENT.

After the defeat of the Government on its amended clause one to the Evictions Bill, Mr. Baldwin asked the Government's intentions as regards the bill.

Mr. MacDonald accused the House of declaring against all the clauses of the Bill—(Opposition cries of No.)—instead of amending clause one in committee as suggested.

Mr. Baldwin will ask a question to-morrow but in the meantime there will be a consultation as to how a bill is to be got through if produced at all.

Liberal and Conservative spokesmen followed. They made it quite clear that they did not vote

SOUTH AFRICA'S POLITICS.

SMUTS GOVERNMENT RESIGNS.

PRINCE'S VISIT POSTPONED.

DRAMATIC SCENES IN THE ASSEMBLY.

(Reuter's General Service.)

CAPE TOWN, April 7.
In the Assembly General Smuts, the Premier, announced that in view of the defeat of the Governmental candidate by a Nationalist at the by-election at Wakkerstroom, Parliament would be dissolved in a few days.

CAPE TOWN, April 7.
The Government has decided on a dissolution in June and has consequently asked the Prince of Wales to postpone his visit.

ASSEMBLY UPROAR.

CAPE TOWN, April 7.
The scene in the Assembly this afternoon was very dramatic. The galleries were crowded and there was great cheering and counter cheering when General Smuts, General Hertzog and other leaders entered, also during the announcement of the election of the victor at Wakkerstroom. This culminated in such an uproar that Mr. Creswell, the Labour Leader, who followed General Smuts had to speak at the top of his voice.

General Smuts, announcing the dissolution, said the Government was doubtful after the Wakkerstroom election whether it still enjoyed the confidence of the country which was essential to carry out its policy.

General Hertzog said he was sure the public would welcome the opportunity of expressing its views.

Mr. Creswell speaking amid an uproar of cheers and counter cheers, declared the Labour members accepted the Government's challenge, confident that the people would reject the present Government.

SENSATION IN LONDON.

LONDON, April 7.
The postponement of the Prince of Wales' visit to South Africa has caused a sensation in London where the postponement is surmised to be due to the possibility that any function arranged in the honour of the Prince might be turned to political account by one or other of the parties fighting the election.

General Smuts' decision to dissolve Parliament is believed to be a strategic move to rally the electors in support against the Dutch Nationalist and Labour combination.

ITALIAN ELECTIONS.

GOVERNMENT'S RETURN ASSURED.

SIXTY-FOUR PER CENT. MAJORITY.

(Reuter's General Service.)

ROME, April 7.
The election results hitherto show 1,437,000 votes for the Government and 823,000 for the other parties.

The Catholic Popular Party heads the latter section with 242,000. The Unitary Socialists have 158,000; the Maximalists 150,000; the Communists 87,000; and the Republicans 39,000.

It is estimated that 62 per cent. of the voters polled.

The Fascists hitherto have a 64 per cent. majority, whereas only a 25 per cent. majority is required by the electoral law to secure the return of the Government list of candidates.

Even in a former Socialist stronghold like Milan more than 50 per cent. voted for the Government. Rome gave the Fascists a majority.

LATEST LABOUR TROUBLE.

SHIPYARD LOCK-OUT INEVITABLE.

UNOFFICIAL STRIKE OUTCOME.

LONDON, April 7.
The Southampton shipyard workers overwhelmingly refused to resume work, hence a national lock-out is inevitable.

[The Shipbuilding employers have decided upon a national lock-out in shipyards affecting over 100,000 men as the striking engineers at Southampton have refused to resume work pending discussion with a view to settlement. The engineers at Southampton are demanding an increase of 17s. 6d. a week to bring them into line with London dock workers.]

against the principle of any clause except clause one, of which the obscurity had not been illuminated by Mr. MacDonald's speech.

Forty Liberals voted with the Labour minority. The others voted with the Conservatives, while most of the Liberal leaders abstained from voting.

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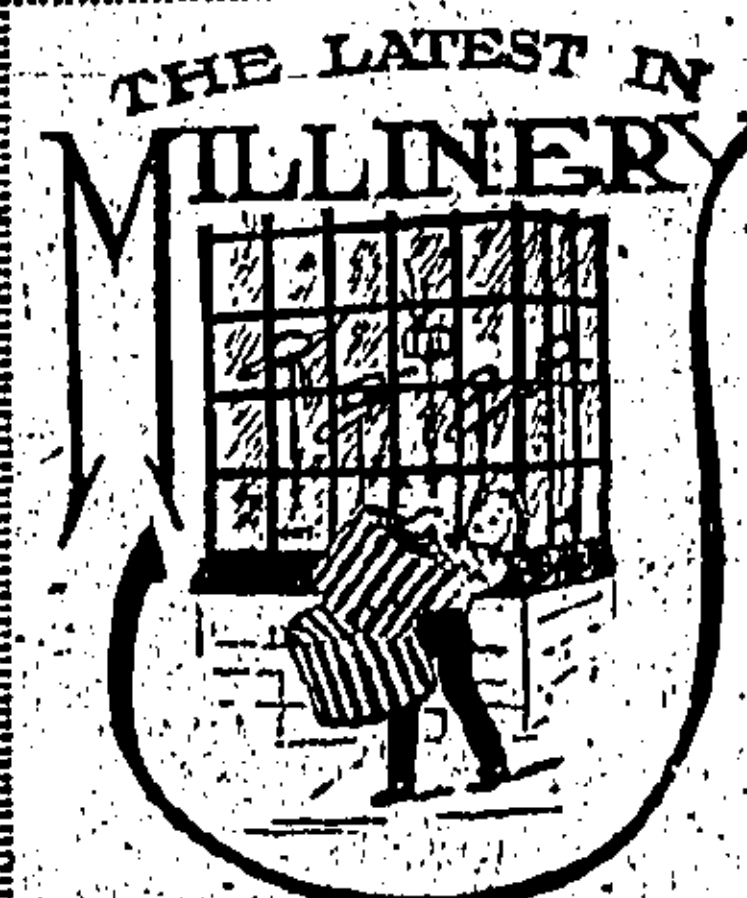
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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 4th to the 10th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board:
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 27th March, 1924.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that FRANK RONALD SMYTH has as from the First day of April One thousand nine hundred and twenty four been admitted as a partner in the firm of Vernon and Smyth carrying on business as share-brokers at 4A Des Voeux Road Central Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong and that the firm of which the partners now are ROBERT THOMAS MATHESON and FRANK RONALD SMYTH will continue to carry on business as heretofore under the style of "Vernon and Smyth."

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For the following purposes:-

- To receive the Report of the Committee and Statement of Accounts for the past year.
- To elect the Officers and Committee for the ensuing year.
- To consider the manner in which St. George's Day shall be celebrated.
- To transact any other business of which due notice has been given.

All Members are requested to attend.

G. H. PIERCY,
Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1924.

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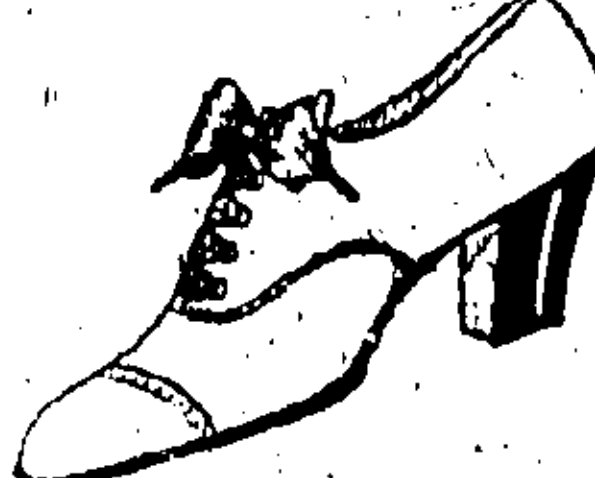
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MAIL WEEK NEWS.

ITEMS FROM FAR AND
NEAR.

The German political police have
made 70 arrests in German Upper
Silesia on charges of high treason.

Sir James Agg-Gardner has
been re-elected chairman of the
Kitchen Committee of the House
of Commons.

The King has appointed Baron
Herschell to be a Lord-in-Waiting
during the present Administration,
the appointment to be of a non-
political character.

Berlin houseowners have just
decided that all tenants of their
flats who set up apparatus for
listening-in will have to pay a tax
of £14 a year.

Captain Ian Fraser, chairman of
St. Dunstan's, and himself a blind
man, has been chosen as prospective
Conservative candidate for
North St. Pancras.

Owing to a misunderstanding in
dates a Tealby (Lincolnshire)
couple have had to postpone their
marriage. They arrived at the
church a week too early.

The coal output for the week
ending February 16, was 5,821,000
tons, compared with 5,803,800 in
the preceding week and 5,559,600
in the corresponding period of last
year.

Holland's most famous poet,
Peter Cornelius Boutens, was the
guest of honour at a literary dinner
held by the P.E.N. Club at Gatti's
Restaurant, Strand.

Corporal George Conderdon,
R.N.S., aircraftman, aged 34, of
Park Street, Brighton, was
accidentally killed at Calshot Air
Station, when he was struck by the
propeller of a machine.

Senator Bergamini, part-owner
of the *Giornale d'Italia*, was attack-
ed, beaten, and stabbed by two
armed burglars who broke into his
house near Rome. He was saved
from death by his chauffeur.

A conference will shortly be
held between the police and the
Westminster and Marylebone
Councils to consider the offer of
Sir Alfred Yarrow to build an
overhead bridge for traffic at
Oxford Circus.

Sound amplifiers were fitted in
the great hall at Euston Station, so
that the speeches at the first annual
meeting of the London, Midland,
and Scottish Railway could be
heard by everyone present.

When George Wilson, 46, was
sentenced at the Old Bailey to 18
months' hard labour for possessing
diamorphine, it was stated that the
drug was sold in small packets
mixed with boracic powder in the
West End at 7s. 6d. to 15s. a sniff.

The National Fine Arts Com-
mission, which will advise public
authorities on art, have appointed
Mr. H. C. Bradshaw, A.R.I.B.A.,
to be their secretary. The office
of the Commission is at 2, White-
hall-gardens, Whitehall, S.W.

The Earl of Aylesford was fined
£5 and £5 ss. costs at Colchester,
Warwickshire, under the Foot-and-
Mouth Disease Order, for allowing
deer to stray from Packington
Park through gaps in the fences.
Lady Aylesford, who appeared for
him, gave notice of appeal.

The Federation of British In-
dustries have appealed to the
Chancellor of the Exchequer to
abolish the corporation profits tax,
reduce the income tax this year, if
only by a small amount, and set
up a Royal Commission into the
incidence of central and local
taxation and the possibility of
simplifying the existing system.

The trustees of the British
Museum have appointed Dr. H. R.
Hall, deputy-keeper, to be keeper
of Egyptian and Assyrian antiqui-
ties in succession to Sir E. A. Wallis
Budge, who retires on April 9, and
Dr. F. A. Bather, deputy-keeper, to
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ed by German trawlers.

Dr. T. O. D. Dunn, Director of
Public Instruction for Bengal was
drowned while crossing the
Hoogly River near Naihati.

To raise funds for a new church
in a poor district of Southampton,
a penny gathering procession,
headed by the mayor, took place.

In Granville Street, Vancouver,
B.C., armed and masked bandits
robbed messengers of the Imperial
Bank of bags containing \$6,400.

Mr. William Morgan, who had
been 50 years coroner for Stafford
and retired some years ago, died
at Stafford, aged 88.

At the funeral service of Mrs.
Brown, aged 102, at Hendon, N.W.,
the organ was played by Leonard
Blake, 16, with whose parents Mrs.
Brown was living when he was
born.

The British and Danish Govern-
ments have agreed that
passport visas will not be
required by Danish subjects travel-
ling to England or British subjects
travelling to Denmark.

When the Irish Free State
Army was reorganised one bat-
talion would consist of men speak-
ing Irish only, said General
Mulcahy, Minister of Defence, at
Balbriggan, Co. Dublin.

Mr. William Burrell, a shipowner
of Roselle, Ayr, is lending his
collection of about 150 modern
French and Dutch paintings to the
Tate Gallery, Milbank, S.W.,
where it has been on view since the
end of March.

Reports of the condition at the
French winter sports resorts
which have been received
in London show that the depth of
the snow varies from 48 inches
at Mont Revard to 8 inches at
Cauterets.

The War Compensation Court
has granted the Colne Fishery
Board £6,000 for loss and damage
to the Colchester oyster fishery
through Admiralty interference
with the fishery grounds during
the war.

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTURES.

Per P. & O. s.s. "Khyber" on Apr.
8:- Miss M. D. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. B.
Smith, Mr. P. O'Brien, Mr. W. A. Hinde,
Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Dinsdale, Mr. and Mrs.
P. E. H. Walter, Mrs. K. W. Tribe, Mr.
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and Mrs. H. A. Bantable, Messrs. Wong
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Joseph Lowry, Mr. G. Parker, Mr. and
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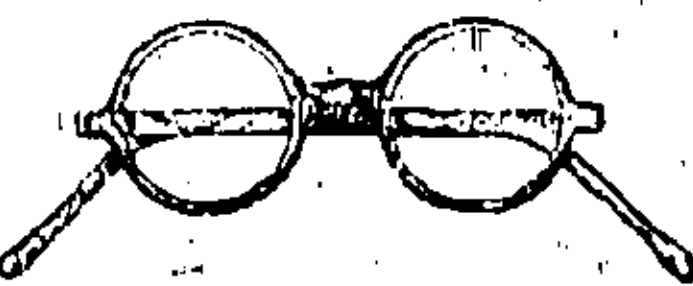
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BIRTHS.

MEAD.—On March 30, 1924 at Peking, the wife of E. W. Mead, Central Salt Administration, of a son.

RATCLIFF.—On April 1, 1924, at Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. William F. Ratcliff, a son (William Alexander George).

MARRIAGES.

QUIN—PATERSON.—On April 2, 1924, at Shanghai, Kathleen, daughter of the late Robert Paterson and Mrs. Noble, Rock Ferry, Cheshire, to James Quin, of Shanghai.

MOORE—BENSON.—On April 3, 1924, at Shanghai, Dr. W. B. A. Moore, Government Medical Officer, Kowloon, Hongkong, to Helen Margaret Benson, daughter of G. Benson, Lyme Regis, Dorset, I.C.S. Madras.

SILVER WEDDING.

GLENNELL—SHARPLES.—On April 12, 1899, at Shanghai, Walter J. Glennell, B.A. (H.B.M.'s Acting Consul Wuhu), second son of the late Walter C. Glennell, B.A., London, to Edith Sarah, elder daughter of John Sharples, Esq., of Birkenhead and Shanghai.

DEATHS.

SIN TAK-FAN.—At his residence No. 21 Robinson Road this morning, Mr. Sin Tak-fan J.P. Date of funeral will be announced later.

CHRISTIE.—On April 2, 1924, at Shanghai, Elizabeth Auguste Wilhelmine (née Schneider), wife of H. Christie, Messrs. Butterfield & Swire, and mother of Mrs. Bruce S. Jenkins, aged 54 years.

FRISENETTE.—On April 4, 1924, at Shanghai, Adolf C. Z. Frisenette, Great Northern Telegraph Co., aged 45 years.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 1924.

ARMED, POLITICS.

Nobody who has followed events in Italy recently, however casually, will feel the slightest surprise that the Fascists are sweeping the elections. Mussolini may have invited many hard names—poseur, adventurer, tyrant—but there is one he has hitherto escaped. He is no fool. Consequently when he introduced

his startling new electoral law some months ago, his madness had in it more, much more method than the proverb usually allows. Gambling he might have been; but he was gambling with loaded dice, for although any Party might normally stand to poll the highest number of votes and thus secure two thirds of the total seats, clever tactics might almost surely eliminate the risk. Mussolini was not alone in perceiving this. His political enemies saw it too. But where he had all the resources of the State and the even stronger might of the Fascists at command, they were largely helpless and—worse still—gravely divided among themselves. Thus we read that the elections have brought some score of Parties into the field, and of these only two have been well enough organized to fight in all the electoral districts. Mussolini could have safely faced much stronger opposition than this. After all, any man with between 300,000 and 500,000 armed men at his call must find himself able to exercise powers not possible for the mere, unarmed politician. Thus Mussolini has been enabled not only to ride roughshod over his political opponents but also seriously to impair the freedom of the press. Matters must indeed have reached a sorry pass when we have Italians themselves confessing that "the truth is the one thing one cannot now say or print in Italy." Starting with tremendous advantages like these, politicians far less astute and far less imperious than Mussolini could confidently hope to win elections. Even as Reuter cabled yesterday, Mussolini's success was a foregone conclusion. Estimating what this means for Italy and for the world one does not need to delve very deep into Mussolini's past. Everybody knows how Mussolini, employing all the tricks of a stage villain and pandering to the neurotic feelings of excited youth—was ever such foolery as black shirts, white skulls and red carnations—had himself swept into power, cinema Napoleon and virtual dictator. Likewise everybody still remembers how he played with international fire not many months ago, and by arrogantly seizing Corfu, nearly embroiled half Europe. Mussolini is the man who once boasted that liberty was dead, that he had trampled its corpse underfoot. Although the election results would seem to give colour to his claim, history, ever remorseless, will eventually overtake him. He will repeat his boast once too often—and when that day comes Europe will be one dictator the less.

VOLUNTEERS.

It is quite likely that very many in this Colony do not see the necessity of a corps of volunteers to assist, should it become necessary, in the aid of the defence of this Colony, and in its broader aspect, the Empire of which we are a part. Many doubtless hold aloof as a result of their experiences in the great struggle that did not find them wanting. Others may be, look on feeling that our young men might do much worse than enrol themselves as they have done in order to be ready in cases of emergency. The word volunteer has an attraction for us. It is true that one volunteer is worth three pressed men; and if the Force is considered under strength it is perhaps better that it should be so rather than its strength by reason of Taipan influence, which we know to have been exerted, should make it bigger than it is. If added strength is needed we believe that it is up to the authorities to prove that the men who are wanted will not necessarily be wasting their time in enrolling, that the Colony has as much need of them now as it had in the dark days of 1914 and afterwards. If we felt that the

retention of the Volunteer Defence Corps was an institution to inculcate a blatant martial spirit, we should have no hesitation in condemning it tooth and nail. We know that it is not that—that its motto is probably Defence and not Defiance, and that in such a place as this where the tendency is to slack off and to let things slip by, such a movement to be commended. Having said this, we submit that the authorities should endeavour to meet the numerous, class who by nature and perhaps by age, are not attracted to any strenuous activity that may be suggested by a semi-military organisation. We are inclined to believe that many of our citizens—if we may use that word in a place where the rights of citizenship are denied them—would be attracted to a form of Volunteer service that would savour of helping our civil authorities. In short that a revival in a modified form of the Police Reserve Force would find many who regard the maintenance of law and order in this Colony a first consideration, willing to volunteer their services, either in patrol work or as supervisors at the various wharves on the sea front. Such a Reserve would not need the elaborate organization that was a characteristic of it during the war, and if formed now would save time and prove of incalculable benefit in case of sudden emergencies due to strikes. We need not labour the matter. We commend the present service to the Colony which is voluntary and wish it well.

A Biological Necessity?

It was James Russell Lowell we believe who almost first put into rhymed verse that "as for war, I think it's murder." Others have followed him, whilst the English poets which the war produced sang the awfulness of the sights they saw; the ineptitude and inefficiency of many of those in charge of things, and the general futility of war. Successive English Governments, we are inclined to think, have tried as far as possible to steer clear of the possibility of war by adopting a patient tranquil form of diplomacy which seems to have been misunderstood and has seemingly been to prolong the settlement of certain problems beyond a reasonable limit. This is probably better than being steeped in another conflict and laying up further problems for futurity. Time will doubtless replace the man power lost in the last war, but some of the figures available of the losses sustained by those who were involved, make staring reading. The Year Book of the Reich for instance says that it appears certain that the cost of war in men to Germany was no less than two millions killed. Of these 25 per cent. were between ages 19 and 22. Fifty per cent. were between ages 19 and 25. Sixty per cent. were between ages 19 and 25. About 60 per cent. of the dead were unmarried; add to this the number of permanently disabled and, so far as Germany is concerned, we get the answer to "Is war a biological necessity?"

Tips.

In only one place in Hongkong—and that a private institution—is the giving of tips taboo. Perhaps the right number is two. Outside these the custom is general. We might almost say it has become not so much an established custom, but an expected one. And whilst it is the nature of man to be generous and to wish to acknowledge services which are part of the price he pays for what he has asked or ordered, the custom will prevail. That it can be obnoxious is obvious. Many of us who work hard receive no tips. We may get what is called a bonus, at the end of the year, but that is all. Others in all stations of life receive the same, but almost daily in the places that cater for the public, the passing of the nimble coin is an experience of almost each second of the day. The danger of the system is of course that those who participate in these free-will offerings are apt to look upon them as an accepted right and to resent, by a lack of attention, any "forgetfulness" on the part of long suffering patrons. It is difficult to make any hard and fast rule, and we doubt if any of our public institutions has the courage

to urge their patrons to cease from tipping, even if such notice would be observed. The trouble is the individual who goes to the other extreme—who regards servants for instance as mere menials to be kept in their places, and who exacts the uttermost in every kind of attention that he may consider his due, without either a word or a coin of thanks in return. The one outstanding feature of tipping is, we believe, the fact that all employees share in the total amount of tips which are received; and this system is strictly observed on the old Socialistic theory of share and share alike. It is safe to say that the system will never be abolished—at least not whilst servants are efficient and patrons are pleased.

Probably for the first time, Hongkong is to have an opportunity of hearing the music of William Byrd. A duet for two sopranos is to be given in the Cathedral on Good Friday evening. Byrd, who was organist at twenty of Lincoln Cathedral, died in 1623. Byrd's work, as he is told, is nearly all of the finest quality. It falls into three classes: Church Music, Secular Choral Music, and Keyboard Music. Byrd was founder of the English Madrigal School. His biggest things have the quality of sublimity that marks the really great mind.

It is known is variously shown, but the manner of it as expressed by the Oxford Arms Harmonic Society, is at once original, and practical, and free from the taint of a certain form of charity likely to upset the sensitiveness of certain people. They voted one of their members who was ill a bottle of best brandy, and a large bottle of bovine from the Society's funds, whilst a member who owns a cow offered to supply new milk gratis. The spirit of harmony as well as of charity seems to be possessed in large degree by this Harmonic Society.

Impressions can be very wonderful things. Here is a famous violinist, Jascha Heifetz, back from a tour in the East, reporting that the Chinese are now under the influence of the Jazz craze, and that the favourite song in China is "Yes, we have no bananas." No worse insult to our Chinese friends than this could have been offered.

We are all agreed that Passports are a decided nuisance, but it does not seem that they are likely to be abolished, yet awhile, although some of the annoyances attached to them are being reduced. The British Premier for instance is prepared to recommend that the life of a British passport be increased from two to five years. This will mean a saving of time and money where passports have to be renewed. In addition the British and Danish Governments have agreed that after March 1, passport visas will not be required by Danish subjects travelling to England, and British subjects travelling to Denmark. This is something to be thankful for even if millions of us are not likely to travel to Denmark.

can be variously expressed. The following is a singular example of a man whose name is not given. The Royal Northern Group of Hospitals recently broadcasted an appeal for funds. In reply this man wrote:—

Please find enclosed note, value 10s., re your wireless appeal. This is all I can possibly afford. Seventeen or 18 years ago you admitted me to your hospital very late at night, seriously ill with typhoid fever. I owe my life to the skill and kindness I met in your fine hospital, having reached coma. Personal service is about all I can possibly give. The kindness I met with in your hospital inspired me to help others, and I have tried, in giving my blood to poor patients in our various London hospitals, to do so. Over 31 pints of my blood have been given voluntarily to save or prolong human life.

In certain quarters are regarded as menials one has a perfect right to ignore and not as individuals who are performing just as useful a function as any who can be named. It has remained for the Queensland Premier to learn that the newspaper man is after all an important person and one whose time is valuable and who is not to be trifled with. He had arranged to meet a score of London newspaper men at the Queensland Government Offices at 4 p.m. He kept them waiting half an hour when they sent him an ultimatum that they would leave unless he saw them immediately. He received them instantly and apologised for the delay.

To-day's Poem.

(Tell Me Where Is Fancy Bred.)
Tell me where is fancy bred,
Or in the heart or in the head?
How begot, how nourished?
Reply, reply,
It is engendered in the eyes,
With gazing fed; and fancy dies
In the cradle where it lies:
Let us all ring fancy's knell:
Ding, dong, bell.
—Shakespeare.

WEATHER CALENDAR.

APRIL 8.

1798. A pleasant warm morning, but a showery day. The Spring still advancing very slowly. The horse-chestnuts budding, and the hedgerows beginning to look green.
—Dorothy Wordsworth.

MANY PETER PANS.

"The refusal by parents to answer questions and explain things led the child to fear that adult life was beset with mysteries, and there was some tremendous initiation to be gone through. So Peter Pan refused to grow up; there were a great many Peter Pans who had not grown up emotionally."
—Dr. H. Crichton Miller.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

April 8.—Coronet Theatre; "Trifling Women."
April 8.—Star Theatre, Kowloon; "The Royal Russian Ballet" also Hoot Gibson in "Blinky."
April 8.—World Theatre; Pola Negri in "Mad Love."

April 9-10.—Sermons for a Lenten Mission by Rev. R. B. Schmitt, S.J., at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, 6 p.m.

April 11.—Dance at Peak Club, 9.15 p.m.
April 12.—Public Dinner to Sir William Rees Davies at Hongkong Hotel, 8 p.m.
April 23.—Carnival at Repulse Bay Hotel.
April 26.—Dance at Peak Club, 9.15 p.m.

April 8.—Tennis Tournament of the Hongkong Cricket Club on the Strand Court, 4.30 p.m.
April 19 and 21.—H.K. Jockey Club 2nd extra race meetings.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.
April 9.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Rooms, the s.s. "Kwai Wa," now lying at Shamshui, 3 p.m.
April 11.—Lammert Bros., at their Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, Ladies' Suit Lengths, 11 a.m.
April 14.—Lammert Bros., at "Lauren Villas," 11 Chatham Rd., Kowloon, household furniture, 2.45 p.m.

April 16.—Lammert Bros., at 6 Catherine St., Kennedy Town, two complete sets rattan and cane splitting machinery, etc., 3 p.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.
April 10.—Second yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong Engineering & Construction Co., Ltd., at St. George's Building, Chater Road, noon.

April 11.—Seventeenth annual meeting of Gande, Price & Co., Ltd., at 8 Queen's Road Central, noon.

OTHER MEETINGS.
April 11.—All interested in proposal to form a Hongkong Portfarshore Assoc. to meet at No. 2 Queen's Buildings, Ground Floor, opposite Star Ferry at 5 p.m.
April 14.—Annual meeting of the Society of St. George in the City Hall, 5.15 p.m.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A huge Chinese motor truck, No. 724, was the cause of holding up the tram-car service this morning from Causeway Bay, causing inconvenience to a large number of people. The truck had either become stuck in the reclamation or its works had gone wrong.

Commenting on the references to piracy the Chairman of the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce made in his speech at the annual meeting of that body, Shipping and Engineering (Shanghai) observes: "It will be noticed that no mention was made of the necessity of Coast vessels being fitted with some form of wireless telegraphic apparatus. It is possible, of course, that this necessity, being of so great importance to the safety of ships and lives in China waters, is considered so obvious and is so prominently before everyone concerned that there was no need to enlarge upon it. Let us hope that that supposition is correct. We have our doubts, though!"

MURDER TRIALS.

PRESENT JURY SYSTEM
CRITICISED.

MAJORITY VOTE URGED.

From a correspondent signing himself "Justice" we have received a letter criticising the verdict in the Lantao murder trial and offering some observations about the jury system.

"Justice" seeks to prove that the woman was wrongly convicted, but as his remarks involve charges against persons whose integrity was upheld by the court they can hardly be published. Commenting on the jury system, "Justice" declares there should be a better ruling on how the jury come to a decision and pronounce a verdict.

"Each of the jurors hears all the facts as the case proceeds. During their deliberation, the jury men have a verbal discussion and the verdict comes out of this only, which, I think, is not proper. Their duty is to offer their opinion and it is sheer nonsense for each juror to know of the others' opinion when he tells the foreman. I suggest that 'Guilty' or 'Not Guilty' be written on a piece of paper, signed and folded, and passed on to the foreman who, in the open court should announce the verdict on the majority. It is extremely dangerous to find a jury giving a unanimous verdict in a murder trial following a verbal discussion only and I would strongly urge that what I have outlined should be taken up.

"Justice" also observes that on the list of jurors all are equal as far as their duty in the Court is concerned. "I fail to see the reason why the first man called should not be the foreman right away instead of the Clerk instructing, 'Choose your foreman please.'"

"Justice" concludes with a hope that the jury's recommendation to mercy in the Lantao case has gone to the "proper quarter."

STEAMER WRECKED.

MALAYA CREW FIGHT
PIRATES.

FIELD IN THE MICK OF TIME.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Amoy, April 3.
On April 1 at 11.15 p.m. the s.s. "Malaya" from Manila went on the rocks on the east spit of Taitan Island just outside Amoy harbour. This took place in foggy weather, the Filipino Captain evidently mistaking Taitan for Singien. The "Malaya" is the former "Rupari" now flying the Stars and Stripes. Followed by the U.S. Vice Consul, the Ship's Agent Surveyor Thoreson and others I came on the scene at 1 p.m. the day after in the most beastly weather imaginable. Most of the crew had already then taken refuge on the beach. The Captain armed with a revolver, and some fierce-looking sailors, armed with axes, defended the ship against some pirates, who just disappeared in the heavy rain squall, as we have in sight.

Some 188 native passengers had already been landed in Amoy from junks. Whilst picking up the crew one lifeboat capsized owing to a foolish manoeuvre of the Chinese launch land and all luggage, ship's passengers and \$1,600 worth of the Captain's was lost. The Surveyor for Bureau Veritas, Capt. Thoreson, condemned the ship as a total loss. She had already broken her back under the engine and stoke hole. The after deck was a wash, and the after hold, engine room and stoke hole were flooded. Some 14,000 bags of raw sugar aft were completely lost, also most likely the bulk of 18,000 in the fore hold, as last night a terrific gale swung up, having probably completed the destruction of the unfortunate vessel.

We have had a lot of robberies on our otherwise peaceful Island, committed mostly by bad Formosan characters, who come across from the centre of all evil Amoy. Last night the Chief of Police, Mr. Bass and another European raided two gambling dens and arrested over 30 gamblers and evil-doers. They were fined \$5 each, so the municipal finances ought to be sound.

"General" Chang, so-named, the self installed head of this district, and all his coolie soldiers have at last succeeded in capturing Chang Chow, which gives them a wider field. Lots of transfers have taken place here lately. Thus Mr. Shields, the proprietor of King George Hotel, a dear old and of 77, left us this other day. Likewise the popular Cant. Modford of the Revenue cruiser "Kwangloong" the highly esteemed Commissioner Mr. Macdonald and the most sort Tiny White, who goes to Hongkong to join Douglas LaPrak as a partner.

RADIO FOR THE COLONY.

LOCAL COMPANY'S BIG SCHEME.

GOVERNMENT'S ADVERSE ATTITUDE.

How Macao Will Soon Reap The Benefit.

Disappointed and discouraged by the attitude of the Hongkong Government, a private radio company has abandoned an ambitious scheme which from its beginning promised to become an important commercial factor in the history of the Colony. Its programme, almost limitless in scope, was supported by many influential business concerns.

In a word, the Radio Communications Co. Ltd. a British company, has failed to gain the appreciation of the Government and has moved to Macao, where one of the most efficient radio broadcasting stations has been established and will be completed within the month.

Dr. F. H. Kew, the founder and sponsor of the Radio Communications Company, told a *China Mail* representative yesterday that he had abandoned the Hongkong scheme as hopeless. The tests, demonstrations and experiments that had been made by the company—at an expense which they had willingly borne—had been successful. Commercial institutions had wholeheartedly promised their support in any scheme which the company had in their programme, but despite the most convincing proofs of their capabilities, the Government had not signified its assent, nor had it shown any encouragement. "This is the reason why broadcasting has stopped for the present," said Dr. Kew, "and can you wonder at the hundreds of letters we receive from radio enthusiasts imploring us to continue our evening concerts broadcasting?"

Radio on Police Launches.

Dr. Kew mentioned one important fact which added to the company's discouragement. Wireless sets on police launches, he said, were installed as an experiment. The Captain Superintendent of Police went to Taipo and subjected the installations to severe tests. Messages were sent from Hongkong and received successfully at Taipo and as a result the Chief of Police expressed his keen appreciation, and was delighted with the efficiency of the installations. "Yet," added Dr. Kew, "when we sent in our tender to equip the police launches with these wireless sets, we were turned down, despite the expense of our experiments and the success we had gained."

A one year's concession was all that the company wanted as a start, to give them a chance to prove their worth, said Dr. Kew. During that time, the company would have gone ahead with its programme and have added to its preliminary successes, which he added, had been proved by the many experiments that were made, such as in the broadcasting of dance music to the tourist ship "Laconia," the broadcasting of Italian opera to listeners in all over Hongkong and miles away from the Colony. Messages broadcast from Hongkong, said the doctor, had been received as far as Shanghai.

The Station at Macao

At Macao, the company had almost completed its broadcasting station, the concession having been granted from the Macao Government. Towers 150 feet in height were in the course of construction and if necessary, additional towers of 25 feet in height would be erected. The radio to be installed was a duplicate set to the one of Kiburn and Clark's in San Francisco which was capable of transmitting messages to as far as Buenos Ayres. The Macao installation, went on Dr. Kew, would be able to communicate with the Portuguese possession Timor.

Radio on the Excursion.

Another phase of the company's programme which was contemplated, mentioned Dr. Kew, was one which would be quite novel and almost unique in the history of the

Far East. They were prepared to broadcast concerts and dance music from Macao to the steamboats which plied between Hongkong and Macao, which meant that the former tedious journey would be relieved considerably and the enjoyment of the passenger on the boat would be materially increased. They would specialize particularly on the Sunday excursion trips.

Chinese music would also be a coming feature. The Chinese, remarked Dr. Kew, were most enthusiastic over radio and probably appreciated its marvels more than the average European. Chinese music would be broadcast to all steamers within receiving distance, which meant any port between Swatow and Canton.

Wireless Offices.

Dr. Kew went so far as to suggest that in the event of the company continuing its success and receiving support from the Hongkong Government, they would establish an elaborate system of wireless offices which would almost revolutionize the business of the Colony. Wireless offices would be established where messages at a reasonable rate could be submitted.

Dr. Kew qualified this statement by adding that these wireless offices would not be seen for some time, but they were quite possible. He enlarged upon the theme at the request of the *China Mail* representative. With a central radio depot continued the doctor, all branches of quick communication could be developed. For instance, they could broadcast the bank rate in a morning, news service for business houses and the newspapers, people requiring a message to be dispatched to Shanghai or even further could be accommodated by the radio company for a nominal fee.

"In fact," said the doctor regretfully, "the materialization of our programme in the Colony would have placed Hongkong on the map. We were out for no profit at the start, but to demonstrate to and convince the Government, that radio is a factor in the modern scientific world that cannot be ignored. We had proved to them in our experiments, the efficiency of radio communication and when the Government told us they were not prepared to recompense us so long as eventually the company would be recognized."

"All our time and energy has been wasted in Hongkong," said Dr. Kew. The public appreciated our work, so did the business firms, and even the Telephone Company, but when it came to Government recognition we were discouraged and disappointed.

Dr. Kew explained that if it came to a question of interfering with official communication, the Radio Company were always ready to stand aside, and mechanically avoid any interruption by shortening or increasing the wave length.

Concluding, Dr. Kew mentioned that the new wireless piracy alarm which was being tried and was awaiting the verdict of the Chamber of Commerce to whom it had been referred by the Government, was a product of the Radio Communications Company. This, said the doctor, was just one of the departures the Company had in mind to prove its efficiency and usefulness.

TRAFFIC CONTROL.

HOW EUROPEANS CAN HELP.

KOWLOON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION APPEAL.

At the monthly meeting of the Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association a letter was read from the Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police on the subject of traffic control, this being a reply to representations which the Committee had previously made. In the course of the letter, the Hon. C.S.P. pointed out that the difficulties of traffic officers, both European and Asiatic, were greatly increased by the fact that European residents particularly appear to resent the action of traffic officers should it entail stopping vehicles in which they are travelling. Further that the action of pedestrians in walking in the middle of the road was a very dangerous matter and one that militated against effective traffic control. Pedestrians as a whole are offenders in this respect and it would greatly assist the police if pedestrians would make a point of using pavements where such are provided.

The Committee decided to give publicity to the Hon. C.S.P.'s statement (through the courtesy of the local newspapers) and to appeal to all Kowloon residents to make efforts to assist rather than thoughtlessly hamper the work of traffic officers.

Typhoon Warnings.

A letter was received from the Government stating that it could not accede to the Association's request to provide a special distinguishing signal in typhoon weather to indicate that the ferry services have been suspended. As the Committee were of opinion that great benefit would accrue to residents by not having to journey to the ferry wharf in typhoon weather before being able to ascertain whether ferry services have been stopped or not, it was decided to seek the co-operation of the Star Ferry Company and the China and Japan Telephone Company whereby residents with telephones would be able to learn from the telephone exchange information regarding the suspension and resumption of ferry services. The Hon. Secretary was instructed to write accordingly.

Local Piracy Evil.

An invitation was received from the Constitutional Reform Association to join with it in holding a public meeting for the purpose of adopting a resolution expressing the feeling that strong and prompt steps should be taken by H. M. Navy in close co-operation with local Chinese Authorities to exterminate the pirates which infest the neighbourhoods of Bias Bay and the Canton River Delta.

After very full consideration the Committee came to the conclusion that the question of piracy was outside the scope of the Association and that little of practical use could be contributed by it to the discussion of a subject which has already engaged, and is still engaging, the attention of the Government, the Naval authorities, the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce, the combined Engineers and Officers' Guilds, shipping firms, etc. The invitation was, accordingly, declined.

Kowloon Beggars.

Complaints were received from a number of Committeemen regarding the increasing number of mendicants who frequent the streets of Kowloon, more particularly in the neighbourhood of St. Andrew's Church on Sunday morning.

It was decided to write the Hon. C.S.P. soliciting action in the matter.

It was further reported that the gas lighting of Nathan Road and adjacent thoroughfares has, of late, been very inefficient notwithstanding the fact that additional lamps and new and more powerful burners have been installed in Kowloon at a fairly recent date.

The Hon. Secretary was directed to write the Government on the subject.

Several other interesting matters were dealt with.

HONGKONG HEALTH.

For the week ending April 5, the return of notifiable diseases in the Colony comprises 13 Chinese cases (one imported) of small-pox with 11 deaths, one Chinese case of diphtheria, one Indian and two Chinese cases of enteric fever (two deaths), two Chinese cases of paratyphoid fever, and two Chinese cases (one imported) cerebro spinal fever, both fatal. There were also two fatal Chinese cases of influenza.

Yesterday there were notified six cases of small-pox, two of enteric fever and one of cerebro spinal fever, all Chinese.

The engagement is announced of Mr. William Harley Mair of Messrs. McAlister & Co., Ltd., Penang, to Ethel Rose, the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McNamoo, Penang.



William D. Leeds, Princess Xenia, and Prince D...

Last week Reuter cabled from Brunswick, (Georgia), that Mr. William B. Leeds, son of the former "Tin Plate King," and his wife Princess Xenia of Greece, who were the guests of Mrs. Thompson, daughter of the former Ambassador Mr. Harvey, had a narrow escape from drowning during a gale in the dangerous Simon's Sound when a launch returning from Picnic Island sank 300 yards from the shore. The party wearing lifebelts reached the shore in a small dinghy which was carried at the stern, after a perilous struggle.

KOWLOON WEDDING.

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The wedding took place this afternoon at the Union Church, Hongkong of Mr. D. J. Purves of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., son of Mr. D. Purves, Consulting Engineer, and Miss Jean Andrewina Mair Forsyth, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Forsyth of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd. Both parties are well known residents of Kowloon and highly popular. The Rev. H. Johnston of the Kowloon Union Church officiated, and the Church was crowded with friends of the parents and young people. Miss Mary Hyde acted as bridesmaid, assisted by Miss Pinkie Owen and Miss Jimmie Barr as flower girls. The Bride was given away by her father, whilst Mr. Andrew Mair, cousin of the Bride, acted as best man.

The Bride's dress was a Paris model made of white crepe muratore, trimmed with fine maline frills of liserie silver, the train detached from the shoulder made of the same material and finished off with heavy silver lace. The bride looked perfectly charming in her illusion veil with a crown of orange blossoms and she carried a beautiful bunch of lilies and white heather. Her going away dress.

was made of light brown Maro-caine Crepe, with a coat to match in embroidered Maro-caine by Rodier, with a dainty hat to match.

The Bridesmaid's dress was of lavender taffeta with deep collar of silver lace, and hat of georgette lavender and silver ribbon, whilst the Flower Girls wore white net frilled dresses, with touches of lavender and silver, carrying Easter lilies with lavender and silver ribbon.

The Bride's Mother wore a dress made of very soft silver grey moire renaissance, trimmed with radium lace, with a hat to match and carried a bouquet of pansies.

The Bridegroom's Mother's dress was a Paris model of cinnamon opera satin, trimmed with crystal and steel beads, and finished off with a pretty belt of Egyptian style, with a hat to match; she carried a bouquet of roses and sweet peas.

During the ceremony the hymn "O Perfect Love" was sung. At the conclusion of the ceremony a reception was held at the Hongkong Hotel where the usual toasts were honoured and the happy couple received the congratulations of their friends. The honeymoon is to be spent on the Continent and in Scotland.

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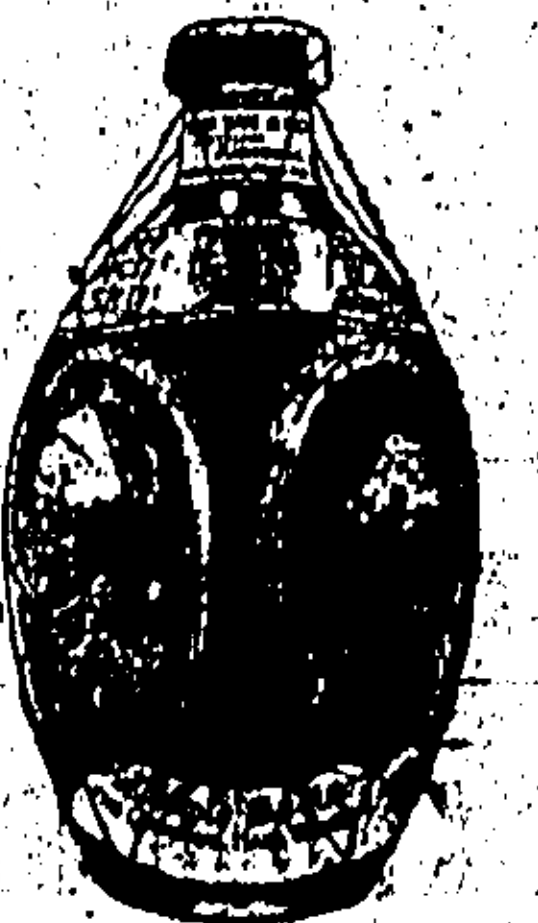
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OBITUARY.

MR. SIN TAK-FAN, J.P.

The many friends of Mr. Sin Tak-fan, J.P., both European and Chinese will learn with regret of his death which took place at his residence, No. 21, Robinson Road, at noon to-day.

Mr. Sin was about 60 years of age. He had an attack of influenza the year before last and had never fully recovered. Up to the time of his death he was managing clerk of Messrs. Lo and Lo, solicitors but he had not attended office regularly since his ailment. He was at the office as recently as Saturday and seemed to be well this morning but had a sudden fit from which he did not recover.

A typical example of the "Hongkong boy" Mr. Sin was well known in the legal sphere to which his activities were mainly

confined. He was with Messrs. Ewins and Needham and Messrs. Ewins and Harston (Mr. J. Scott Harston), the predecessors of the present firm of Messrs. Lo and Lo. Mr. Sin leaves a large family of sons and daughters among whom are Mr. Alfred Hall (Lo and Lo) and Mr. James Hall (Lyon and Hall), both solicitors, Mr. William Hall, the architect, Mr. George Hall and others. The deepest sympathy will go out to the family in their bereavement.

London, April 7.—A telegram from Tirana gives the names of the two murdered American merchants, who belong to Coroman. It says the Albanian government deeply regrets the crime, which is the first of this kind committed in Albania. It is convinced that some political aim intended to discredit Albania, was the motive. The Government have taken strong measures to secure the arrest and punishment of the murderers.—Reuter.

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MOTOR BUS DEATHS.**MANSLAUGHTER CHARGE FOLLOWS.****IMPORTANT PHOTOGRAPHS.**

From the police report this morning, it is learned that a man was killed outright in the motor bus collision in the Ping Shan district, New Territories, on Sunday. His remains were subsequently removed to the Kowloon mortuary. Added to the deaths of the little girl and the Chinese boy-scout who, as reported in yesterday's issue, died on their way to hospital, this brings the total number of deaths to three.

It is understood that the two men who were arrested by Traffic Sergeant McWalter, on Sunday evening in Ping Shan, will be charged with manslaughter to day. This means that they will appear before the Magistrate to-morrow. If evidence is given in the Police Court it is unlikely that an inquiry or inquest will be held as witnesses' statements would then be recorded as evidence in the manslaughter case. The two men arrested are alleged to be the drivers of the buses who are said to have collided with the takings after the collision.

Photographs have been taken by the police and it is expected that they will be of material importance at the hearing.

The exact locality of the bridge where the crash occurred is given as Lam Ti.

It is likely that two other licensed motor drivers will appear before the Magistrate to-morrow. They were concerned in an accident at Tin Wan, also on Sunday, when a bus is said to have come off the road and turned over. A charge of failing to report an accident will be preferred against both drivers. One man will face a charge of driving the bus without the permission of the owner and the other with allowing him to do so. All the buses are stated to belong to the Chun Hing Co., which operates the service to the more remote parts of the Territories.

Today, the funeral of the boy-scout named Ho Kwan-yui took place. He was about 14 years of age and belonged to the Savingmen School Troops. With the other scouts in the out-going bus he was going to camp at Tin Long when the collision occurred and his skull was fractured. This morning, many scouts assembled at the Kwong Wah hospital to pay their last tribute to the deceased commander. Mr. A. Morris, headmaster of the Savingmen School also attended the funeral.

The body was brought over from Yau-mat to the business premises of the uncle, Mr. Ho Mo-sun, 97 Connaught Road West. Here were assembled representatives of all the boy scout troops in the Colony, both Chinese and European. Among those present were the Acting Commissioner and the Headmaster and Staff of Savingmen School. A letter of sympathy was sent by the Treasurer of the Boy Scouts' Association, Mr. Blason.

Leaving the premises of Mr. Ho Mo-sun, the cortege proceeded to the Five Points Battery where the last tributes were paid, a bugler sounding the "Last Post."

The coffin was taken to the Tung Wah Morgue, Pokfulam whence it will be sent later to Kungchow in Hunan where the boy's parents reside.

INJURED BOY—RECOVERING.
The brother of the deceased boy who was injured in the same accident is now in the Kwong Wah Hospital suffering from a fractured pelvis. He is making good progress towards recovery.

CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

LONDON, April 7.

An international conference on Christian Politics, Economics and Citizenship, (dubbed "Copec"), opened at Birmingham to-day, when messages from the King, the Premier, and Mr. Baldwin were read expressing sympathy with the objects of the conference.

Several hundred delegates attended the conference, which is probably unprecedented in scope and purpose, and has been preparing for three years. The scale may be judged by the fact that reports on the subjects for consideration on the first day, alone totalled about 120,000 words.

A pleasant gathering of members of the foreign executive staff of the Hankow Customs took place at the Customs Club on March 29 on the eve of the departure of Mr. B. Hubbard, Chief Tide-gauge and Harbour Master, when he was presented with a gold wristlet suitably inscribed.

MR. HARRY ORE'S RECITAL.**YESTERDAY'S ENJOYABLE EVENT.**

Induced to retract a determination to cease from giving public recitals in Hongkong, Mr. Ore received that encouragement last night which should make the giving of future recitals easier of contemplation. The audience was as big in appreciation as it was in dimensions and included many prominent residents. The first part of the programme consisted of three items—a Busoni arrangement of Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D, Beethoven's Sonata (passionata) in F. Op. 56 (three movements) and Mr. Ore's own sonatina in F. Sharp for violin and piano. The Sonata demands a prodigious feat of memory—it is a matter of 30 folios of music—as well as high powers of interpretative effort for it ranks amongst the Master's great contributions to music in expressing the deep things of emotion. It received adequate treatment and its performance must be described as great. Mr. Ore's Sonatina in F. sharp—a modified form of the Sonata in music, had its first performance, and naturally created much interest. We hope it will be repeated. It is essentially modern in all its movements and in its canzonetta and allegretto vivace reveals suggestions of great beauty. Professor Gonzalez, playing we believe on a special instrument, must be congratulated on his playing bringing out the finer points of the piece with a true perception of its many qualities.

In the second part a cycle of Chopin pieces was much enjoyed; particularly the haunting Ballade in G. op. 23 and the more vigorous military Polonaise in A. flat. Grainger's Country Gardens is an infectious piece, redolent of the country side and its rollicking fancies were much enjoyed. In a different vein was Saint Saens Bourree for left hand which seemed to appeal to the audience. The concert concluded with a Liszt arrangement of Gounod's Valse from Faust. It is obvious that Liszt has simply taken a theme and filled it with his own flourishes. Nothing much is added to music and a great strain is imposed upon the performer. Mr. Ore, as in the other pieces, surmounted the technical difficulties with ease and received an ovation.

Mrs. R. Sanger who adds distinction to music by the nature of her songs and her manner in singing them, submitted three characteristic songs by Schubert, Grieg, and Puccini. Her's is a rich soprano voice of good range and pleasing flexibility, used with restraint and an artistry beyond the words of mere praise. She responded to an insistent demand for an encore with a typical example of Grieg. A pleased audience stayed until the last moment of the concert.

QUICK WORK.**POLICE READY FOR ANYTHING.****PRACTICE ALARM.**

At 2.05 this afternoon, the police held a practice turnout when the general alarm was sounded. It is believed that the procedure followed was that planned for a riot or other disorder. The alarm continued for about five minutes during which time bugles were sounded at intervals. Every available man in Central was turned out within a few minutes, which is highly creditable to the Force and in about three minutes of the first alarm, officers had started for the supposed hot in Wing Lok Street.

The Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C. S. P., proceeded with Mr. D. Burlingham, A. S. P. and Captain Bloxham in command of the Indian guards. Traffic Inspector Kent was in charge of the police motor-van and police cyclists also dashed off. Other detachments of European, Indian, and Chinese were marched off with machine-guns. Indian guards were also mustered and held in reserve.

Mr. K. Mackenzie and Mr. G. E. B. Tyler of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Shanghai, have left for Home by the "Empress of Russia."

Among many Shanghai residents who took their departure last week on Home leave are Mr. and Mrs. H.K. Peters, who are travelling by the "Haruna Maru."

Among passengers by the P. and O. steamer "Kashmir" are Mr. E. McLaren, Scottish International Rugby Player (1923-4), who is proceeding to Shanghai to join Messrs. Butterfield and Swire; Mr. J. S. Gillingham, Chief Naval Constructor for the Dockyard, Hongkong; Mr. T. P. Waller, manager of the Chartered Bank, Kuala Lumpur, accompanied by Mrs. Waller; Count Fredric Wrangle, whose father was formerly Ambassador of Sweden at London, who is touring the world; and Mr. J. Ince, of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co. en route to Peking.

COMMERCE AND FINANCE.**TRADE MARKS LAW.**

PERING, April 7.

The Diplomatic Corps, replying to the Chinese Government's Note of March 20, on Saturday evening, said that the latter was insufficient for the diplomats to advise their Governments to recognise the Chinese Trade Mark Law and to advise their respective nationals to register their trade marks, with the new Bureau.

The Diplomatic Corps point out that whether or not their nationals register, cases of complaint will have to be dealt with in accordance with the stipulations of the treaties concerning the settlement of disputes between Chinese and treaty-power nationals.—*Courtesy Daily Bulletin.*

NEW QUEENSLAND LOAN.

LONDON, April 7.

The Bank of England has issued the prospectus of the Queensland loan. Lists close on April 24.

The first Queensland loan issued in England since December 1910, is for the conversion of 6½ per cent 1924 loan of £4,765,000; also the 4 per cent £7,939,000 loan due on July 1. The holders of these loans are offered in exchange 5½ per cent interest-bearing stock 1926-0 on a cash payment of 10s. per cent. Cash applications will be received at 9.0½ per cent on payment, of 10 per cent on application, and 60½ per cent on July 1. This is a sequel to the success of the efforts of Mr. Theodore, Queensland's Socialist Premier, to raise the embargo on Queensland loans since the passage of the Queensland Pastoral Leases Act in 1920 which British financial concern, having large property holdings, complained was inimical to their interests. Concessions made by Mr. Theodore with regard to the offending statute have removed all differences.

GENERAL NOTES.

Manila, April 6.—It is reported that Mr. Ben. Wright, Insular Auditor, has agreed to act as general manager of the Philippines National Bank.—*Courtesy Daily Bulletin.*

SILK.

The silk forwarded from here by "Empress of Asia" on March 18 arrived in New York on April 5 having been 23 days in transit.

STRENGTH OF TIN.

Investors in non-ferrous metal mines, except perhaps in those of copper, have good reason to look forward to favourable reports of the properties they are interested in during the present year. The metals lead, zinc and tin all stood at high prices during 1923, prices which have still further expanded in 1924. Lead and zinc, which in 1913 stood at about £18 and £23 per ton respectively, have now risen to £34 for lead and £36 for zinc; while tin, which for the ten years 1900 to 1909 averaged less than £160 per ton, was for many weeks in 1923 over £200, and ended the year at the price of £233 15s. During the current year the price has still further expanded, and during the past week the metal has risen to £280 per ton. The rise in price is explained by the active demand for the metal which appears to have overtaken the supply. At the end of 1923 the stocks in the United Kingdom were 5,359 tons, as compared with 7,300 tons at the end of 1922 and 9,575 tons at the end of 1921. The visible supplies have also been on the downward grade, the figures at the end of 1921 being 24,060 tons; of 1922 22,281 tons, and of 1923, 18,631 tons. At the end of January last they rose again to 21,173 tons, but the stocks in the United Kingdom were reduced to 4,111 tons. The statistical position is, therefore, in favour of high prices being maintained. A point of importance as regards the supply is the steady reduction that has taken place in the pooled stocks, under the Bandung agreement, of the Malay tin. These stocks are now less than 10,000 tons.

The outputs of the principal mining companies of Nigeria and of the Malay States were for the last financial year in many cases lower than in the preceding year. But the advantage of the increased price has, no doubt, far outweighed the loss from reduced output, and the financial results may confidently be expected to show a substantial improvement on those of the previous year.

With regard to copper, there has been no rise in value as has been the case with the other base metals, the steadiness in price being due, no doubt to the great producing capacity of the mines of the United States and of South America. For some time the price has stood at a little over £90 per ton, the present price being about £93 10s. The fluctuations in price during the last three years have been small. In 1921 and 1922 the metal rose to £75 per ton, and in 1923 the highest price was £86, in which year the lowest price was £67. Looked at statistically over a number of years, an improvement in price from the present low level may reasonably be expected.

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HONGKONG PIRACIES.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail,"]

Sir:—The word "piracy" undoubtedly is the supreme heading of any paragraph appearing now-a-days in the majority of newspapers published in the Far East and yesterday saw related the story of another piracy, on this occasion the vessel being a Chinese steamer plying between Canton and Wuchow under the Portuguese flag. Some foremost suggestions have recently emanated from various sources as to the best means of preventing future outrages committed by the desperadoes. One in particular is that of the scheme outlined by Mr. R. Sutherland a short while ago which would, if it were applied, help matters to a great extent.

The arrangement as regards the posting of soldiers in addition to guards originally employed in local vessels appears to have created a somewhat dissatisfied feeling as indicated in the papers a day or so ago and it is obviously the fact that until a satisfactory method is brought about there will be no benefit derived therefrom.

A morning paper cited an abstract from the *Peking and Tientsin Times* under the heading of "Hongkong Piracies" where the writer suggested that if punitive measures were taken against the pirates' nests in Bias Bay and elsewhere—preferably with the co-operation of the Chinese military authorities in control of the area, or without it if it were refused—outrages would become far less frequent. While agreeing with the writer's remarks which seem from a general point of view satisfactory, it is indeed a difficult proposition to undertake in this particular area on account of the chaotic conditions at present existing. The military authorities have much to contend with in protecting their own interests against opposing forces without lending a hand to the local shipping companies to assist the Government and naval authorities in their endeavour to suppress the evil and alleviate future suffering.

Before concluding, a suggestion might be worth recording and i.e. Why don't the local shipping companies employ Asiatic detectives on board their vessels plying in these waters? If the parties were posted in their respective stations, and allowed to mix with the passengers, no doubt, valuable information could be extracted and information so gathered could be transmitted by wireless (which we understand will sooner or later be installed on all local vessels) and thus assistance could be immediately rendered and the desperadoes caught.

Yours etc.,
A VICTIM.
Hongkong, April 8.

CHINESE WILL CASE.

DIVORCED WIFE'S CLAIM FAILS.

Singapore, March 27.—The Chief Justice (Sir Walter Shaw) delivered decision in the probate suit in which a secondary wife sought a declaration that she was a lawful widow of the deceased.

Evidence was given by the Consul that a Chinese may divorce a "tsip" if she disobeys him or his principal wife or the family rules, or is guilty of immoral conduct, by declaring his intention to elope with another woman. It was admitted by the defendant, the principal wife, that the plaintiff had been a secondary wife, but evidence was given that she was turned out of the house after misconduct with the principal wife's cousin.

His Lordship said that it appeared that the dissolution was something like the inception of the union—no actual ceremony was needed, and it depended upon the intention and notoriety given to the union or dissolution in several circumstances. He pointed to the fact that the parties believed the dissolution to be complete when the plaintiff left the house. If the evidence of the defendant, that the deceased disowned the plaintiff, was correct, it certainly constituted a divorce according to the evidence of custom.

His Lordship held that the plaintiff was not a lawful widow of the deceased.

Sydney, April 7.—The Empire naval squadron has arrived in Jervis Bay from Tasmania. Sir Frederick Field, interviewed, expressed the opinion that it was not desirable as a consequence of dropping the Singapore scheme that Australia act hastily in establishing an expensive naval base. He declared that England was not aware of Australia's possibilities and hoped that the visit of the squadron would have an educative influence. —*Reuter.*

HOME OF VARIETY.

STAR THEATRE'S NEW PROGRAMME.

ROYAL RUSSIAN BALLET.

Kowloon folk certainly cannot complain that their theatre programmes lack variety. Last week they had the world's champion strong man and the Philharmonic concert. The week before they had the Hawaiian troubadours. And now this evening they have the Royal Russian Ballet.

Opening for a short season only, this clever Company is assured a very cordial welcome, coming as it does from the Imperial Theatre, Moscow, and the Pavillon de Paris. Usually the Company's performance occupies the whole programme, but catering also for those who like their movies as well, the Management of the Star Theatre has arranged for the ballet to last thirty minutes only. This means that the Company will present the cream of its repertoire.

Among the performers are Madam Linova, from the Imperial Theatre, Moscow, who specialises as a solo dancer; the Misses Lantsoffs, whirlwind Cossack dancers who were for two years with the Imperial Ballet, Moscow; Sergey Binoff, skilful exponent of both Russian and classical dances; Nina Smirnov, who submits a charming dainty waltz fantasy; and Mr. Jan Will, the Ballet Master, from the Royal Theatre, Vienna. Mr. Will, besides directing the Gypsy Ballet, gives some most interesting folk dances learned in Hungary.

The movie play chosen to supplement this unusual attraction is Hoot Gibson's "Blinky," a comedy which shows the popular cowboy first as a society darling, then as the Border regiment scapegrace, and finally as the lad who made good both in love and war.

HOME FOOTBALL.

LEAGUE TABLES.

(Up to March 31.)

ENGLISH LEAGUE.				
Team	P.	W.	L.	D.
Sunderland	36	20	8	8
Bolton	37	17	7	13
Huddersfield	33	20	7	6
Cardiff City	34	17	7	10
Blackburn	37	16	11	10
Sheffield U.	35	15	9	11
Aston Villa	36	14	10	12
Everton	36	14	10	12
Notts County	35	12	9	14
Newcastle U.	35	13	12	10
West H. U.	35	11	11	13
Birmingham	35	11	12	12
Liverpool	35	12	15	8
Tottenham H.	34	10	12	12
Manchester C.	33	11	13	9
Burnley	33	10	13	10
W. Brom.	34	9	13	12
Preston N.E.	36	10	18	8
Nottingham F.	36	10	18	8
Arsenal	33	9	17	7
Chelsea	36	5	17	14
Middlesbrough	36	7	24	5

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Team	P.	W.	L.	D.
Rangers	33	21	4	8
Airdrieonians	34	19	7	8
Celtic	35	16	8	11
Rath Rovers	34	16	11	7
Hibernians	32	14	10	8
Aberdeen	34	13	12	9
Hearts	35	12	13	10
Partick T.	32	13	11	8
St. Mirren	32	12	10	10
Dundee	35	12	13	10
Greenock M.	35	13	16	6
Falkirk	34	12	16	6
Kilmarnock	33	11	14	8
Hamilton A.	34	12	16	6
Ayr United	33	10	14	9
Queen's Park	33	11	15	6
Motherwell	33	12	17	4
Third Lanark	35	11	18	6
Clydebank	34	11	18	5
Clyde	35	9	17	9

GOOD DRAMA.

LOCAL CINEMA-GOERS' APPRECIATION.

That Hongkong cinema-goers appreciate good drama as much as they appreciate good comedy is being amply proved by the large audiences every day for the screening of Rex Ingram's great feature film, "Trifling Women" now being shown at the Coronet Theatre. "Trifling Women" is a notable picture for several reasons, chief among which are the intensely dramatic story and the really brilliant acting of the four leading players. Barbara La Marr is specially fine, as the beautiful Parisian sorceress playing with the loves and the lives of men. Indeed her acting in the terrible, dungeon scene, when the worldly dramatic events succeeding the duel are reaching their great climax, is remarkable for its power and intensity. Certainly it must stand as her greatest screen achievement to date. Little less compelling is the acting of Ramon Novarro as the headstrong young lover, of Lewis Stone as the elderly but amorous baron, and of Edward Connelly as the immensely wealthy count who later exacts terrible vengeance against the woman who has wronged him. "Trifling Women" for all its heavy drama, has a pleasant ending, which neatly rounds off the story. Staging and filming, needless to add, are both worthy of the theme and the acting.

LONDON LETTER.

VARIED ITEMS FROM THE HOMELAND.

FAIR PLAY FOR LABOUR.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, March 2.

In the first of a series of Home letters to the "China Mail" I may be forgiven if I inflict on my readers a reference or two to the present Socialist Government. The "tubs of butter"—as a witty confere describes it, which have been used in flattery has been excessive; but it seems to me to be in keeping with that characteristic of British fair play, to give a sporting chance to those who, in most peculiar circumstances, wield the wand of office, and are obviously sincere in their efforts to put the Old Country once more upon its feet. The talk here is that Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is attempting too much, and is already looking tired out. It is being freely stated that he will not long be able to carry out the duties of Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs in addition to those of Prime Minister. Doubtless he feels that our foreign relations need strengthening, and until a better complexion appears on this particular matter, he is not likely to relinquish a task in which his inborn spirit of firmness coupled with sympathy, is likely to find full play. The Foreign Secretaryship is undoubtedly a full time job, and later on will become so. The party is not losing any of its principles of action, or its ideas on the every day facts of life, by its perhaps sudden accession to office. In its official reception—receptions are held by each of the great parties on the eve of the opening of Parliament, five hundred members and friends met, and were content to be regaled with tea and coffee and sandwiches! In the circumstances a very modest form of refreshment.

A Veteran.

Sporting circles all over the country—if not the country as a whole, has been much interested in the performance of the professional footballer Meredith who showed some of his old brilliancy in scoring a goal for his Club, Manchester City in a cup-tie match. It was not so much the goal as the fact that Meredith is verging on to fifty years of age. The Professional footballer "dies" comparatively early. He is a good player, popular with the crowd, and looks after himself, he is likely to be in a constant billet, receive full wages, and at the stipulated time receive a benefit from the proceeds of which he can start in business, either as "Mine Host" of a pub, or as a shopkeeper selling sports equipment or anything else. Meredith seems to be the great exception to the rule of early retirement. His international caps are many—a proof of his prowess. It seems only the other day that he was electrifying crowds when, playing for Derby County, his spurts down the wing, and centres to goal, earned for him the cheers of delighted crowds. Meredith is obviously the super-man of football. Long may he continue to be able to play the game.

A Mechanical Nurse Girl.

All the way from "America" comes the suggestion of "the mechanical material arm" as an aid to the mother. It has made its appearance in France as well as America. The apparatus is simply a jointed metal rod clasped to the edge of the cub. Its purpose is to hold the nursing bottle in such a position that the infant can readily absorb its nourishment. Some one, in explaining the device says the development of this idea will make "this country" a race of supermen. It is a logical development of the ideal step—the incubator. Fathers will be relieved of the necessity of walking the floor with wailing infants. Theirs will be the Kruschen feeling. I spare the feelings of your readers who may include many who still believe in the old-fashioned way of bringing up a baby, and who believe that if a father has to walk the floor with a wailing baby, it may be bad for the father, but not necessarily so for the baby. The "development of the idea" includes "a marvellous piece of machinery" with bulbs, retorts, intricate and delicate mechanisms; a phonograph that croons a lullaby, and other things which sound fantastical, but which, in this age of miracles are not impossible.

Religious Signs.

Every now and again, the country has its wave of evangelistic fervour stimulated by either organised missions or the unpremeditated mission which suddenly springs into being and embraces many people who are held enthralled by passionate dis-

courses, hymn-singing and prayer meetings. It is not so long since that some parts of Scotland had a series of these mission meetings, whilst those in the east of England caused a great deal of interest quite outside their confines. Last year the great meetings of the Anglo-Catholic Union gave rise to much comment, some of it of a controversial character. As a result of those meetings, a movement was started to convert England. Each parish was to engage in continual prayer, for a time, and then hand over a "nery cross" to the next parish; and this was to be continued until England had been completely covered. India has had its Mission of Help, and it is quite likely that this mission—in connection with the Church of England, will be held in various parts of the East. They are simply a sign of the times. Some people here are wondering if the Socialist Government will attempt to disestablish the Church of England. Some of those who ardently wish the Church well and desire to see it function as it should, hope it will do so.

The Lost Fleet.

Germany's "sunk fleet" at Scapa is to be raised. The decision to do this has been arrived at and a British firm has undertaken the immensely gigantic task and will commence operations without delay. In the murkiness of the waters lie the 68 German war vessels ignominiously scuttled in June, 1919. What will they look like? Divested certainly of any majesty they may have possessed; covered with rank marine vegetation on the muddy sea bottom. Messrs. Cox and Danks of Queenborough, Kent, have accepted the job of raising the ships, and their efforts will be watched with interest. The biggest of the ships lies in 20 fathoms of water, and these include the great Hindenburg and the notorious Seidlitz. Twenty fathoms is the limit at which a diver can work; thirty the limit at which he can live. Any sentiment regarding these vessels that may have existed, has vanished. These are hard-up times; and if raising the boats is likely to add grist to the mill—well let them be raised.

"St. Joan."

Mr. Bernard Shaw's "Methusalem" has had its performance in London, and has been variously received. The trouble is that five performances "are" necessary before it is complete, and that has been a strain for not a few people. Some of the critics made it up to appear at some of the performances with false and flowing beards to simulate a Methusalem-like appearance, but desisted when they realised that "G.B.S." would not be particularly pleased. Shaw's new play "Saint Joan" is shortly to be produced by perhaps England's greatest tragedienne—Miss Sybil Thorndike. Shaw assembled the company and read them his play. I am told he did it in telling style and impressed everyone with his reading; so careful was he to indicate what he meant at one point that he actually sang a soldiers chorus. The play took three hours, to read.

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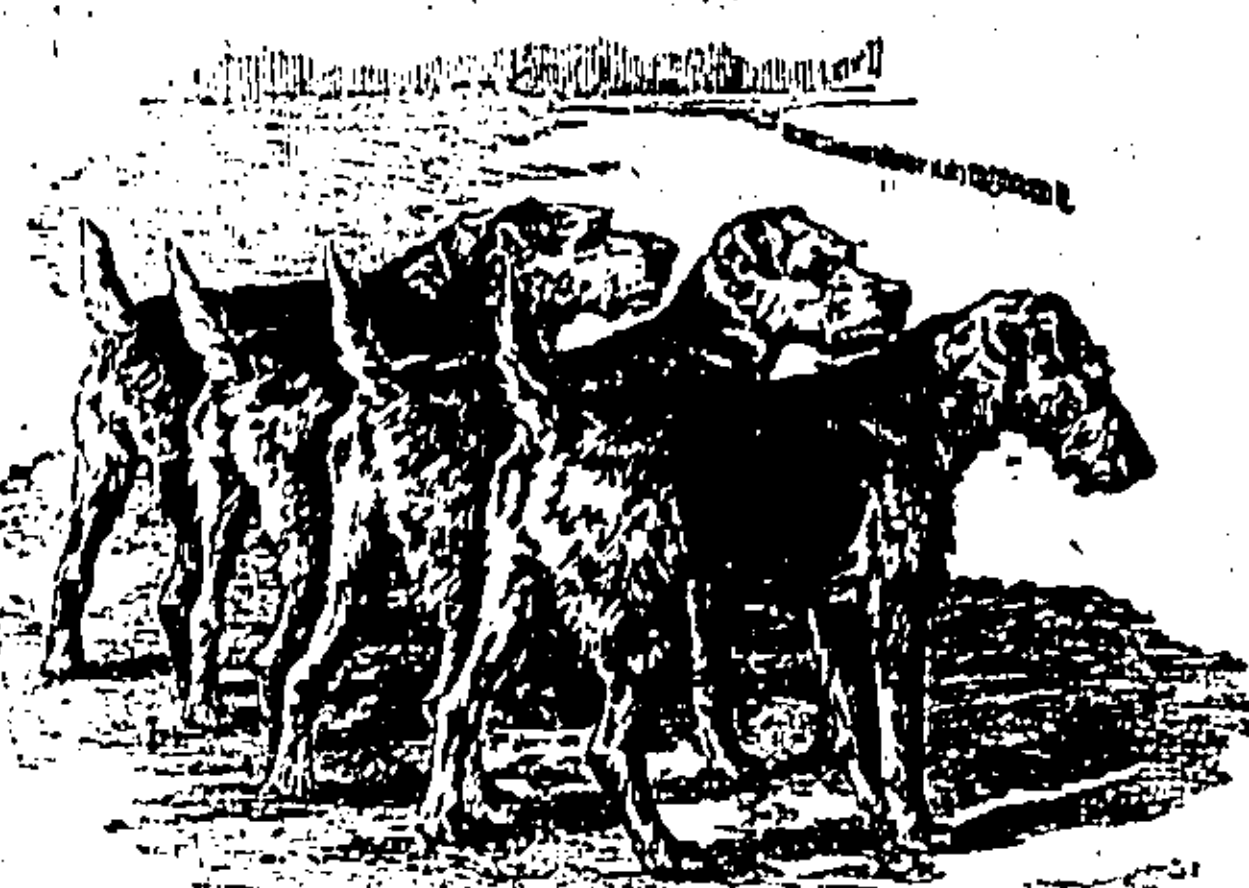
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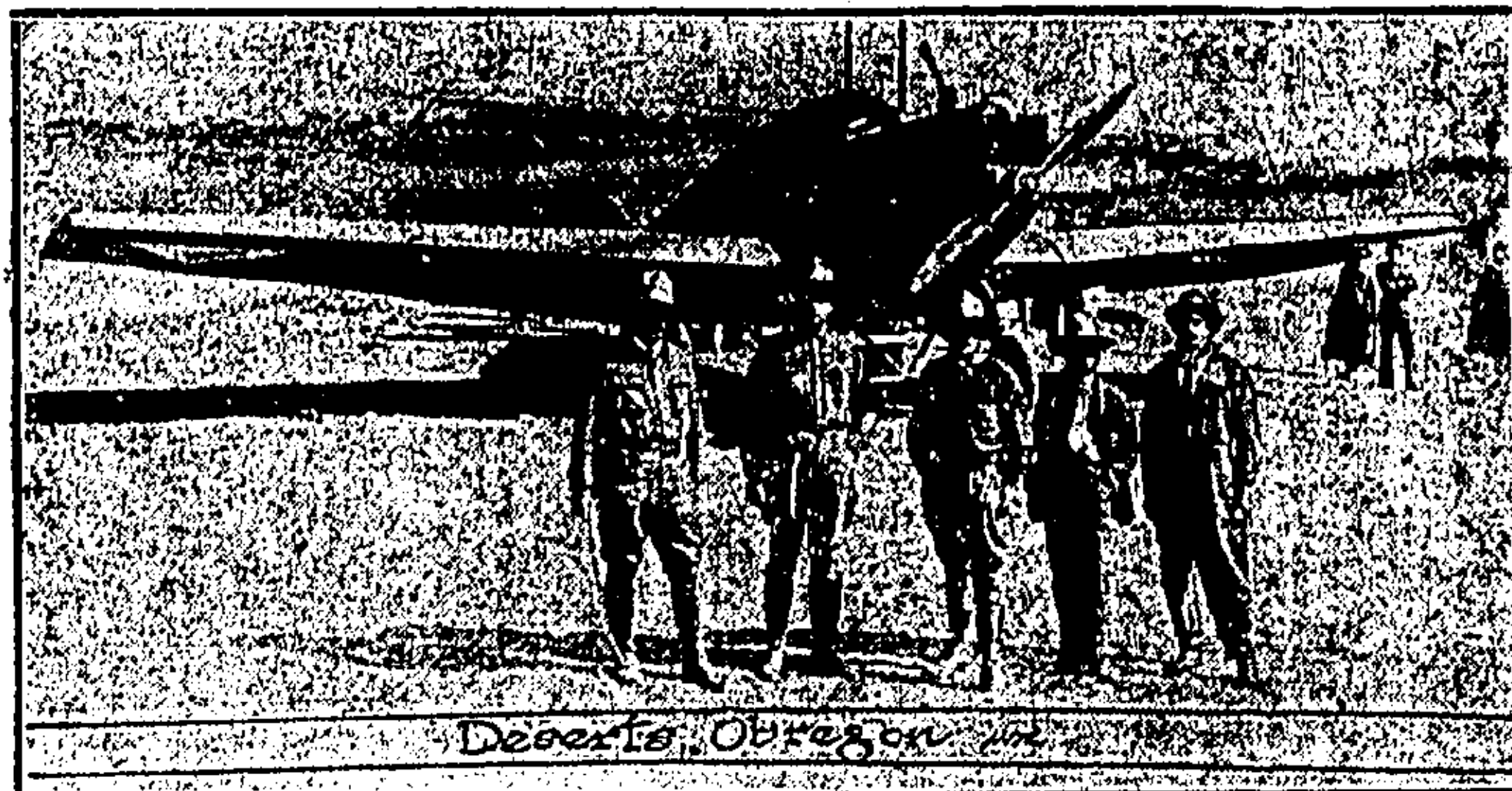


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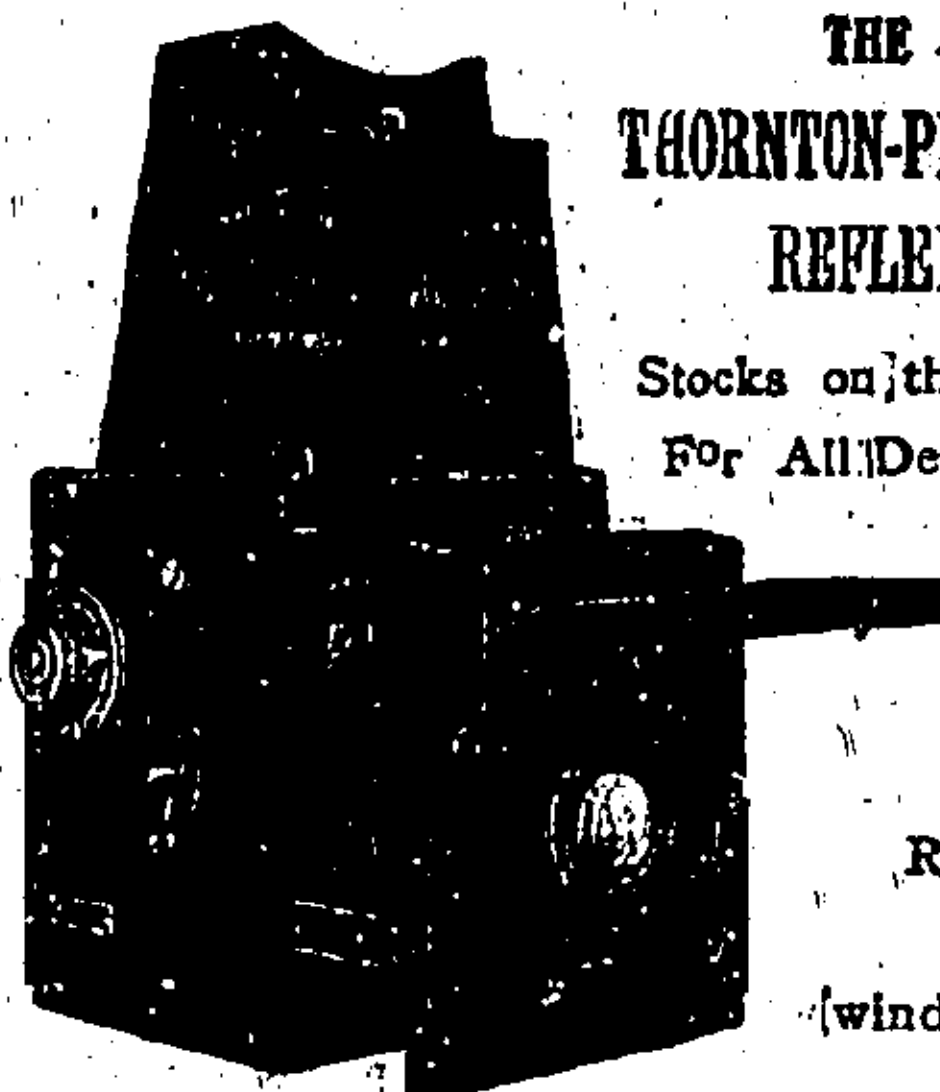
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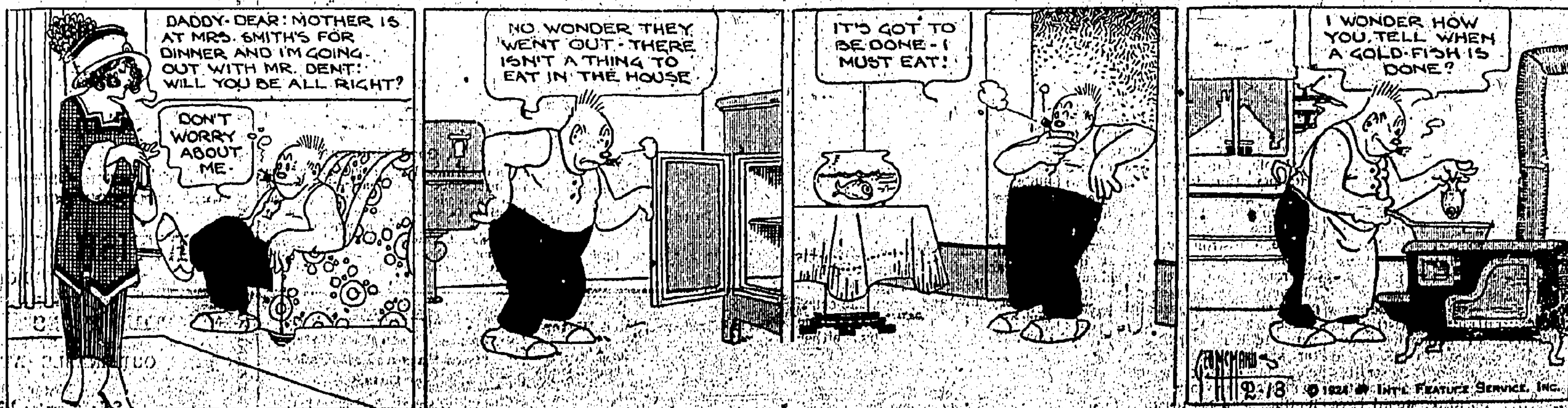
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HONGKONG GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS.

STRAITS PAPERS COMMENT.

Commenting on the piracy regulation controversy, the *Strait Times* observes that "Apparently officers of ships are to be in a state of continuous active service. With the exception of that if they are killed as a result of resisting to the uttermost, no provision is made by Government for the support of their dependants. No one questions the courage of meritorious marine officers. If a master can save his ship and crew from pirates he can generally be relied upon to do so. But what is the position in regard to these pirates and the almost inevitable success with which they are carried out? The pirates are already on board the ship in the guise of passengers. They choose for their effort an hour when the majority of the officers are in the saloon having food, while other parties cover officers on the bridge and in the engine room. The pirates are armed and are quite prepared to use their arms if needs be, as the deaths of a number of brave officers bear testimony. What exactly is the position of the gentlemen who drafted the regulations to say. It is possible that he has never been in the position of being at the wrong end of a revolver. There is no doubt that the Hongkong Government are alarmed at the menace to trade which these pirates form and are anxious to do everything to suppress them. Still there is a way of wording these things without giving offence. A good deal is expected of officers in these waters. It is provided among other things that every certificated officer must carry a revolver and twenty-five rounds of ammunition at all times in the danger zone, and know how to use them. Moreover the Government in his absolute discretion can refuse to allow the appointment of any particular person of whom he does not approve. To be a ship's officer in the China Seas appears to require more than a knowledge of navigation, and it is desirable to ensure that the officers are not rubbed the wrong way by the wording of regulations.

As regards the Navy, no doubt the men of the China Squadron would be very glad indeed of something to do, but many miles of diplomatic red tape are in the way of any such action being taken in Chinese territory. It is peculiarly irritating that one of the chief centres of piratical activity is just beyond the mainland territory of the Colony of Hongkong—namely, Bias Bay. China appears powerless to take any punitive action, and meanwhile pirates go on unchecked. It is inevitable that the continual success of the pirates should have a demoralising effect on the community as a whole, as is witnessed by the fact that in a recent case in the Hongkong area a boatswain of many years service turned pirate leader and was responsible for the murder of his captain. It is urged that immediate joint action by the foreign powers is necessary and if China does not consent she should be informed that the powers are prepared to act independently. If Britain has to act alone then she should do so. It is pointed out that this succession of indignities upon the British flag by what are little more than gullible regiments of arms and their gullible underlings British prestige. In addition to the necessity for punitive measures such patterns as exist at present are quite inadequate, and an increase in the number of H. M. gunboats may have little or no effect. Instead of putting the responsibility upon men of the navy, the marine whose calling it is supposed to be a punishable crime, as will prove to be the case, that the Chinese are the chief sufferers, and no doubt the Chinese authorities would be glad of a little help, even if in order to give it, a few diplomatic formalities were for the occasion ignored.

New York, April 7.—In the fifteenth round of the chess tournament, Alekhine beat Yates, Bogoljubow beat Tartakower, and Capablanca beat Janowski. The game between Muroczy and Edward Lasker was adjourned. Later—in the International Chess Tournament the leading position at the end of the fifteenth round was held by Capablanca, with 9½ points. Doctor Lasker had 8½, with one game adjourned. Alekhine also had 8½, and Reti 8. Yates is last with 3½, with one game adjourned.—*Reuter's American Service.*

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It is not inappropriate, therefore, that this ingenious aviator should be engaged at the Australian research laboratory, where he had been appointed to supervise the experimental work.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

VESSELS DUE

FROM BANGKOK.

Apr. 10.—E. A. Banks.

FROM SHANGHAI.

Apr. 9.—O. S. K. Alabama Maru.

FROM SINGAPORE.

Apr. 11.—U. S. S. B. West Prospect.

13.—B. I. Tando.

FROM MANILA.

Apr. 11.—U. S. S. B. West Prospect.

FROM JAVA.

Apr. 11.—U. S. S. B. West Prospect.

11.—J. C. L. Tildes.

25.—U. S. S. B. West Prospect.

FROM ZAMBOANGA & CEBU.

Apr. 11.—U. S. S. B. West Prospect.

FROM CALCUTTA.

May 3.—B. I. Tando.

18.—B. I. Tando.

FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

May 2.—E. A. Banks.

June 6.—E. A. Banks.

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Oct. 3.—E. A. Banks.

FROM SEATTLE, VANCOUVER

Etc.

Apr. 9.—O. S. K. Alabama Maru.

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The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 8 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

March 30 to April 5, 1924.

HIGH WATER		LOW WATER	
Day	Time	Day	Time
Mon. 30	11.15	Tue. 31	11.15
Tue. 31	11.15	Wed. 1	11.15
Wed. 1	11.15	Thu. 2	11.15
Thu. 2	11.15	Fri. 3	11.15
Fri. 3	11.15	Sat. 4	11.15
Sat. 4	11.15	Sun. 5	11.15

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Mountain Lodge	1735
The Esplanade	1725
Peak Hotel	1805
Tai Koo Sanatorium	1000
St. David's	877
Bowen Rd. (Hillside)	807
MAINTLAND	
Tai Mo Shan	8124
Kowloon Peak	1971
Lion Rock	1845
Shatin Pass	1000
Customs Pass	750
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HONGKONG, APRIL 8th, 1924.

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do. London	3/32	3/32
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Chartered Bank	2 1/2	n. 219
P. & O. Bank	2 1/2	b. 215
East Asiatic Bank	2 1/2	n. 215
Mercantile Bank A B	213 n.	n. "A" 232 1/2
do.	213 n.	
Marine Insurances		
Union Insurance	730 n.	b. 730
North China Insurance	\$ 140 b.	n. 140
Union Insurance	\$ 245 n.	sa. 247 1/4
Insurance Yangtze	\$ 27 1/2	b. 37
China Union	1.10 n.	s. 1.10
Far Eastern	—	b. 143
Fire Insurances		
China Fire Insurance	\$ 145 n.	b. 325
Hongkong Fire Insurance	\$ 535 b.	
Shipping		
Hongkong	34 1/2	b. 58 s. 50
H.K. Steamships	340 1/2 n.	1. 40 s. 4. 50
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do. (Def.)	\$ 133 1/2	n. —
do. (H.K. Reg.)	133 1/2	n. 150
Shell Transport	89 1/2 n.	s. 93 1/2
Star Line	25 1/2 b.	sa. 83
Hongkong Tugs and Lighter	\$ 25 1/2 n.	n. 33
Rubber		
China Sugar	\$ 248 n.	s. 250
Malayan Sugar	\$ 47 1/2 50 s.	b. 48 1/2 s. 50
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Langkat	—	n. 29
Shanghai Mines	Comb. \$99 b.	
Shui Explorations	—	n. 4.90
Bauba	\$ 5 n	b. 44 1/2
Tronoh Mines	44 1/2	
Ural Corp.	14 n.	
Benguet	14 n.	
Docks & Wharves, Godowns, &c.		
H. & K. Wharves	\$ 184 s.	sa. 182 1/4
H. & W. Dock	\$ 159 n.	s. 161
Shui Docks	\$ 7 1/2	b. 94 s. 98
New Engineering	\$ 120 1/2 b.	b. 51 s. 51
H. K. Engineering	—	
Shanghai Engineering	\$ 180 b.	
Land, Hotels & Buildings		
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Hongkong Land	\$114 ss.	sa. 118
Humphrey	\$ 24 n.	n. 25 1/2
Kowloon Land	\$ —	—
Land Reclamation	\$ 160 b.	n. 160
Princes Building	\$ 110 ss.	s. 1.39
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Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd.	Ts 11.39 b.	b. 11 1/2
Kung Yik	—	
Loan Kung Mow	Ts b.	b. 41 n. 5 sa. 4.90
Quienkai	—	n. 61 New n. 38
Shanghai Cotton	Ts 61 n. New \$ 40 n	
Yongtong	—	
Miscellaneous		
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China Lights (Old)	\$ 91 n.	b. 144
do. (New)	\$ 91 n.	New b. 3.10
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Dairy Farms	\$ 25 b. 25 1/2	s. 28
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Macao do	\$ 38 b.	
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Hongkong Tramways	\$ 18 1/2 b.	b. & sa. 16 1/2
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do. (New)	\$ 3 n.	
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Hankow Iron	\$ 26 1/2 n. 1/2	b. 33
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Singapore—Kowloon Wharf.
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Singapore—Off Stonecutters.
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Manila—B32.
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Singapore—Kowloon Wharf.
Produce, (Kung Yuen) from
Salon—B22.
Fong Tung, (Yuen Seng Fat) from
Singapore—Off Stonecutters.
Pres. Lincoln, (P. M. S. S.) from
Manila—Kowloon Wharf.
Venezia, (Dodwell & Co.) from
Shanghai—Off Stonecutters.
Haruna Maru, (N. Y. K.) from
Shanghai—A1.
Githero, (K. N. Seng) from
Bangkok—Off Stonecutters.
Maple, (J. C. J. L.) from Shang-
hai—Wanchai.

DEPARTURES.

Haiphong, (Douglas & Co.) for
Swatow—April 8.

Kwangtung, (B. & S.) for Bang-
kok, Swatow—April 8.
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Bangkok, Swatow—April 8.
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Saigon—April 8.
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April 8.
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April 8.
Korea Maru, (T. K. K.) for
Shanghai—April 8.
Seng Gang, (Bradley & Co.) for
Haiphong—April 8.
Atsuta Maru, (N. Y. K.) for
Shanghai—April 8.
Halmun, (Yan Fat) for Tourane.
April 8.
Song Bo, (M. M. C.) for Hal-
phong—April 8.
Heutichang, (C. M. S. N.) for
Shanghai—April 8.
Kur, (B. & S.) for Kobe—April 8.

According to a *Reuter* cable from
Paris the newspapers understand
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dropped out of the Cabinet, will
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An anticyclone covers S.E.
Mongolia and N.E. China.
Fresh to moderate monsoon may
be expected along the coast and
the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.30 incl.
Total since January 1st, 8.19 inches,
against an average of 7.9 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon on April 9, 1924.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at
noon on April 9, 1924.

1.—South coast of China between
Hongkong and Lantau. N.E. winds,
moderate to fresh; overcast, occasional
rain.

2.—Hongkong to Cap Rock. N.E. winds,
moderate to fresh; overcast, occasional
rain.

3.—South coast of China between
Hongkong and Hainan. N.E. winds,
moderate to fresh; overcast, occasional
rain.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY.

HONGKONG.

DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

APRIL 8, 1924.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction of Wind.	Force.	Remarks.
Victoria Peak	6 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	6 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	6 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	7 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	7 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	7 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	8 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	8 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	8 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	9 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	9 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	9 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	10 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	10 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	10 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	11 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	11 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	11 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	12 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	12 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	12 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	13 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	13 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	13 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	14 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	14 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	14 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	15 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	15 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	15 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	16 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	16 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	16 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	17 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	17 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	17 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	18 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	18 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	18 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	19 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	19 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	19 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	20 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	20 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	20 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	21 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	21 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	21 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	22 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	22 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	22 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	23 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	23 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	23 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Victoria Peak	24 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Venue	24 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b
Admiralty	24 a.m.	30.80	31	78	SE	2	b

HONGKONG REGISTER.

Previous at 7 p.m.	On date at 8 a.m.	On date at 9 p.m.
Barometer	29.81	29.89
Temperature	81	83
Humidity	91	97
Direction of Wind	SE	SE
Force	4	4
Weather	cl	cl
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Michael open air thermometer on the 7th—71.
Lowest open air thermometer on the 7th—61.
T. F. CLARKE, Director.
Hongkong Observatory April 8, 1924.

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Shanghai	TUESDAY, APRIL 8.	Haruna Maru
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FRIDAY, APRIL 11.		
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TUESDAY, APRIL 8.		
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Swatow	Waishing	5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9.		
Haiphong	Yunnan	8.30 a.m.
Swatow	Kiungchow	10.30 a.m.
Manila	Dewey	10.30 a.m.
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*Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kotau Maru	5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and EUROPE via VICTORIA B.C.—due Victoria B.C., 19th Apr. Europe via Siberia (corres- pondence specially superimposed, "Via Siberia" only) Parcels 5 p.m. Regis- tration 8 a.m. Letters 8.30 a.m.	President Jackson	
THURSDAY, APRIL 10.		
Pakhoi and Haiphong	Linchow	8 a.m.
Holhow	Chincha	9 a.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Torilla	Noon
Swatow	Van Olen	12.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Poehing	5 p.m.
Shanghai	Lohang	5 p.m.